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SECRETARY, BOARD OF OIL, GAS & MINING

State of Utah, Board of Oil, Gas and Mining Department of Natural Resources 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210 Salt Lake City, UT 84116

> Re: Statement of Support for Request; Docket No. 2013-017 Cause No. 259-03

Dear Board Members:

III Exploration II LP ("IIIX") is a working interest owner in several of the wells which are the subject of that certain Request for Agency Action ("Request") in Docket No. 2013-017, Cause No. 259-03, filed by QEP Energy Company ("QEP") on May 21, 2013. The Request asks for the Board's permission to flare gas from the subject wells in excess of the amounts allowed by state regulation. IIIX has made a significant financial investment in the drilling of these wells and shares the concerns of QEP that partially shutting in the wells risks permanent damage to the reservoir and the mechanical integrity of the wells. We request that QEP be allowed to flare the gas from the wells until such time as the pipeline is completed and the gas can be economically gathered.

Very truly yours,

III Exploration II LP

Paul R. Powell, President

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